



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Donald Thomas McGrath

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For: METHODS AND APPARATUS
FOR AMPLIFICATION IN HIGH
TEMPERATURE
ENVIRONMENTS

Art Unit: 2817

Examiner: Shingleton, Michael B.

AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 9, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests entry and consideration of the following amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 2, 5, 23, and 24

1. (twice amended) A method for amplifying a signal comprising:

generating an input signal;

amplifying the input signal utilizing a chopper-stabilized, silicon carbide NMOS depletion mode operational amplifier to produce an amplified output signal, the operational amplifier including a first NMOS depletion mode amplification stage and a second NMOS

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